



Twelfth Night by William Shakespeare	<p><b>Twelfth Night by William Shakespeare</b></p> <p>Twelfth Night, or What You Will is a comedy by William Shakespeare, believed to have been written around 1601–02 as a Twelfth Night's entertainment for the close of the Christmas season.</p> <p>The play centres on the twins Viola and Sebastian, who are separated in a shipwreck. Viola (who is disguised as a boy) falls in love with Duke Orsino, who in turn is in love with the Countess Olivia. Upon meeting Viola, Countess Olivia falls in love with her thinking she is a man.</p> <p>The play expanded on the musical interludes and riotous disorder expected of the occasion, with plot elements drawn from the short story "Of Apollonius and Silla" by Barnabe Rich, based on a story by Matteo Bandello. The first recorded performance was on 2 February 1602, at Candlemas, the formal end of Christmastide in the year's calendar. The play was not published until its inclusion in the 1623 First Folio. ( Wikipedia)</p> <p><b>Read by John Burlinson, John Farrell, LindaB, Sonia and Tony Addison</b>  <b>Total running time: 03:06:53</b></p> <p>This recording is in the public domain and may be reproduced, distributed, or modified without permission. For more information or to volunteer, visit <a href="http://librivox.org">librivox.org</a>.</p> <p>Cover picture "Orsino and Viola" (detail) by Frederick Richard Pickersgill (1820-1900). Copyright expired in U.S., Canada, EU. and all countries with author's life +70 yrs laws. Cover design by Sonia. This design is in the public domain.</p>	Twelfth Night by William Shakespeare
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